

**MINUTES OF THE
FIFTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE
2001 REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION**

**June 28, 2001
2:00 p.m.**

**Hawaii State Capitol
Room 329
Honolulu, Hawaii**

Commissioners in Attendance:

Mr. Wayne K. Minami, Chairperson
Mr. Deron K. Akiona
Ms. Jill E. Frierson
Ms. Lori Hoo
Mr. Lynn C. Kinney
Mr. Kenneth T.G. Lum
Mr. Harold S. Masumoto
Mr. David Rae

Commissioners Excused from the Meeting:

Mr. Richard R. Clifton, Vice-Chairperson

Advisory Council in Attendance:

Mr. Stephen Goodenow, Oahu
Mr. Jim Hall, Oahu
Ms. Georgine Busch, Hawaii
Mr. Frank Jung, Hawaii
Mr. Wayne Metcalf, Hawaii
Ms. Shirley Spencer, Hawaii
Mr. Mark Andrews, Maui
Mr. Fred Rohlfing, Maui
Ms. Madge Schaefer, Maui
Ms. Betty Chandler, Kauai
Mr. Dennis Esaki, Kauai
Mr. Jerome Hew, Kauai
Ms. Trinette Kauai, Kauai

Technical Support Staff in Attendance:

Mr. Dwayne D. Yoshina, Office of Elections
Mr. David Rosenbrock, Office of Elections/Reapportionment Staff

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Mr. Lawrence Chun, Office of Elections/Reapportionment Staff
Ms. Cynthia Fukunaga, Office of Elections/Reapportionment Staff
Mr. Strather Ing, Office of Elections/Reapportionment Staff
Ms. Keala Naluai, Office of Elections/Reapportionment Staff
Mr. Scott Nago, Office of Elections
Mr. Rex Quidilla, Office of Elections
Ms. Robynn Yokooji, Office of Elections
Mr. Brian Aburano, Department of the Attorney General
Mr. Aaron Schulaner, Department of the Attorney General

Consultant Services Contractor:

Mr. Royce Jones, ESRI

Observers Present:

Mr. Larry Meacham, Common Cause Hawaii
Mr. Kevin Dayton, Honolulu Advertiser
Mr. Jean Aoki, League of Women Voters
Mr. Marc Oto, Speaker of the House Office
Mr. Brad Stein, Carter & Burgess
Mr. Shelton Jim On, Hawaii Republican Party
Mr. Charles Carole, League of Women Voters
Mr. Chadd Kadota, Clerk's Office City & County
Mr. Karl Rhoads, Downtown Neighborhood Board
Mr. Ross Segawa, Public Observer
Mr. Glen Takahashi, City Clerks Office
Mr. Tom Gill, American Civil Liberties Union
Mr. Pat Omandam, Honolulu Star Bulletin
Mr. Stephen Morgan
Mr. Jason Koran, Office of the Governor
Mr. Dexter Pagdilao, Office of the Governor
Rep. Willie Espero, Legislature

I. Call to Order

Chairperson, Wayne Minami, called the Fifth Regular Meeting of the 2001 Reapportionment Commission to order at 2:10 p.m. in Conference Room 329 of the Hawaii State Capitol, Honolulu, Hawaii.

II. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Jill Frierson moved to have the minutes of the Fourth Regular Meeting of the 2001 Reapportionment Commission on June 21, 2001 approved. Commissioner Lynn Kinney seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously by the Commissioners in attendance.

PROCEEDINGS

III. Advisory Council Testimony

Chairperson Wayne Minami invited the Advisory Council members in attendance to give public testimony on the issues that the Commission would be making decision on at today's meeting.

A. Testimony by Mr. Fred Rohlfinding, Maui Advisory Council Member

Mr. Rohlfinding provided the commissioners with oral and written testimony related to the State's reapportionment population base. He favors the exclusion of all five categories of non-resident populations to establish the reapportionment population base, particularly as it related to the alien population. He asserted that these populations are in pockets and their inclusion would increase the "weight" of a voter's vote in the district where pockets of aliens exist. His written testimony is found in Appendix A.

B. Commissioner Kinney asked Mr. Rohlfinding how he would exclude the alien population if nobody knows where they are. They are not registered with social security numbers and they may be working illegally. Commissioner Kinney asked how you can tell who are the aliens and who are not. Mr. Rohlfinding stated that he presumes that the INS knows where the aliens are and it appears that the INS has not provided the information to the Commission. Mr. Rohlfinding mentioned that the Commission should do whatever they can to get as much information as possible so as to be able to exclude aliens.

C. Chairperson Wayne Minami explained to Mr. Rohlfinding and others in attendance that the project staff had met with the INS Deputy Director and they offered to provide information on aliens that are contained in their "CLAIMS" file. That data contains information on aliens that have applied for naturalization and they could provide the number of applicants and their zip codes. However, they also said that the confidence level is low and that they could not assure the Commission that the information will be provided in a timely basis. The "CLAIMS" file are for people who have applied for naturalization, but it is not the total alien population.

Chairperson Minami explained to Mr. Rohlfinding that the "CLAIMS" file is to the extent to which they have information that they could provide us with. The Commission is not left with a lot of data in order to identify the alien population and where they reside.

D. Based on his experience with government entities, Mr. Rohlfinding mentioned that they tend to find reasons not to do something rather than find reasons why they should do something. He felt that the Commission should try to do all they can to get as much information and data as possible. Mr. Rohlfinding felt that the issue is important to consider as they proceed with their decision.

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- E. Commissioner Deron Akiona compared Mr. Rohlfinding's argument with the children population. There are families with three to four kids per family. He asked if there would be the same argument that the kids would also dilute the vote count.

Mr. Rohlfinding responded that if there is a population growth of children statewide where the population would balance throughout the State, unlike the alien population, they are concentrated in certain areas.

IV. Public Testimony

Chairperson Minami invited all members of the public in attendance to give public testimony on the issues that the Commission would be making a decision on at today's meeting.

A. Mr. Larry Meachem, Common Cause Hawaii

1. He reiterated that the Hawaii State Constitution does mention "permanent residents".
2. If the Commission starts to figure out the population by voters, it is a "slippery slope" because the degree of registration in different districts is quite different. The "permanent resident" base is a more stable base. In terms of elections, aliens are in the same position as young people, in that they are future voters and when they become citizens they can vote. You can't count out teenagers, so you shouldn't count out aliens.

Commissioner David Rae asked Mr. Meachem if he would characterize felons in the same category, i.e., people who are temporally unable to vote. Mr. Meachem responded affirmatively.

B. Ms. Jean Aoki, League of Women Voters

She argued that aliens, especially legal aliens, do pay taxes and as long as they are accepted as legal residents in Hawaii, they should be represented whether they have the right to vote or not. For them to be represented, they need to be counted as part of the population.

Commissioner Kinney asked Ms. Aoki how one can be so sure that aliens do pay taxes. Ms. Aoki responded that if they escape the income tax, they still would be paying the excise tax and all other taxes that are being collected along the way. Ms. Aoki added that they do pay part of the taxes, maybe they pay all of the taxes, but she is not positive about that. Ms. Aoki continued by saying that if aliens own property, they would be paying property taxes and if they rent, they would also pay property taxes.

C. Joint Written Testimony from Common Cause and the League of Women Voters

Written testimony relating to single-member districts and multi-member districts was received from Common Cause and The League of Women Voters. The organizations take no position on this issue; they request that that the issue be provided fair and impartial consideration.

V. Decision Making

After all Advisory Councils and public testimony was heard, the Commission went into its decision making process.

The Commissioners decided upon:

- the population base on which apportionment and redistricting would proceed;
- whether districts would be single or multi-member;
- the standards and criteria which would guide the redistricting activities; and
- the establishment of a Technical Committee and a Public Information Committee.

Preliminarily, Commissioner Rae mentioned that the population base to be used by the Commission was an important issue. He wanted to make it clear to the public, as it is clear to the Commission, that in terms of subtracting non-residents from the census which is the base number they have to work with, they are not talking about excluding somebody's right to vote. They have the ability to register wherever they are and cast a vote for somebody. The term disenfranchise is not depriving the right to vote but is whether or not they are to be represented. Commissioner Rae's personal feelings are that he is "a little torn about subtracting people from the population, even though the constitution says 'permanent residents'." The basis that he will go by will be to answer the question: Do we have a very sound number and basis upon which to make that deduction and therefore comply with the Constitution? If it's not so sound and if it's wishy-washy, his tendency will be to have them included in the population base.

A. Population Base

1. Non-resident Students: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall exclude non-resident students from the population base to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Jill Frierson seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner Frierson stated for the record that with the State Constitution being the way it is, you have a class of people that declare themselves as non-residents. We put them through some sort of process to identify their residency so that we can charge them non-resident tuition

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or they pay their taxes in another state. She says that they don't really have a choice but to exclude them in the population base.

- b. Commissioner Rae mentioned that this is a case where he doesn't particularly like the way the State Constitution is written for the reasons he previously gave, but he does agree with Commissioner Frierson and will move to exclude them.

Role Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted yes to exclude non-resident students from the population base. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) affirmative votes and one (1) excused, the motion was carried.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will exclude non-resident students from the population base.

- 2. Sentenced Felons: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall exclude sentenced felons from the population base to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Kenny Lum seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner David Rae mentioned that he will be voting no for the following reasons: (1) Captives are certainly termed residents of the State of Hawaii, (2) felons are certainly our brothers and sisters, we don't import people from somewhere else, (3) we hope that they will become eligible voters at some point in the future. He feels that the question is that does their numbers disproportionately do anything, as Commissioner Frierson pointed out at the last meeting. According to what he understands, there are over 1,400 – 1,500 felons spread over six (6) or seven (7) institutions throughout the state. He feels that it is not a major concern to exclude them.
- b. Commissioner Harold Masumoto mentioned that he was told earlier by the Attorney General's office that felons do not automatically lose their right to vote.

Mr. Aaron Schulaner, Deputy Attorney General, replied in the affirmative. He said that it is a question of whether or not a sentenced felon is incarcerated, or if the sentence was suspended, or an individual is paroled. If the sentence is suspended or if the person is on parole, that individual is allowed to vote. An incarcerated felon is allowed to vote upon discharge. Commissioner Kinney asked if it included all degrees of felons.

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Mr. Schulaner answered affirmatively. He reiterated that while an individual is incarcerated, that person cannot vote.

Commissioner Masumoto asked if there was a record of how many were incarcerated for ten years or more. Mr. Rosenbrock answered that the file that they received separated the number of incarcerated felons and felons that were on probation.

Role Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted no to exclude sentenced felons from the population base. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) negative votes and one (1) excused, the motion failed.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will include sentenced felons in the population base.

3. Non-resident Military: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall exclude non-resident military from the population base to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Rae seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner Frierson commented for the record that the data that they have from the military seemed to be very sensitively careful to pick military members that have declared to be residents of other states and given the constitution, she can't see how they can argue with that.
- b. Commissioner Rae agreed with Commissioner Frierson but mentioned that he is somewhat sensitive that they may not be counted somewhere else in terms of electors. Commissioner Rae does agree that they have good data for this. He further noted that their location may be disproportionate by a representative district, especially single barracks issues, therefore he will be voting to exclude this population.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted yes to exclude non-resident military from the population base. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) affirmative votes and one (1) excused, the motion was carried.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will exclude non-resident military from the population base.

4. Non-resident Military Dependents: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall exclude non-resident military dependents from the population base to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Frierson seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner Rae states that he thinks the data is very questionable as to the process in which the data was acquired, having to go through a couple of hoops, and he thinks that there is a problem there. He also feels that the children go to state schools, there are working families where the wife or spouse may have a job in town and be full operative members of the community. Therefore he will be voting to include them.
- b. Chairperson Minami read his statement to the Commission:

In doing our work, we must be mindful of the constitutional requirements as prior reapportionment plans have been ruled unconstitutional. As a result, we have to be very careful in what we do that they do meet constitutional requirements.

With regards to congressional redistricting, we don't allow any exclusions from the census figures.

With state redistricting, however, the Supreme Court has given us some flexibility and seems to allow states to exclude some categories of people, which is what we are considering today. Our constitution says that we will count 'permanent residents'. That term is not defined in the constitution or the statutes, but it seems to distinguish between permanent and temporary residents. Exclusions must be identified because we then have to exclude them from specific census blocks.

"That's the same problem we have with aliens. In trying to exclude them, we run into a problem."

With regard to servicemen who have declared residency in another state, it is easy for us to exclude them. We have that same issue with non-resident students, they have identified to the school a permanent residence other than Hawaii and we should exclude them.

Military dependents of service personnel who have out of state residency are more difficult. The '91 Reapportionment Commission said in its report, that '98% of the dependents will follow the residency of the sponsor'. We have tried to find the source of that conclusion and the staff has been unable to find the basis of that conclusion. These military dependents are residents who use state services, they attend our schools, they pay state taxes if they work and given the preference of the courts to carefully review exclusions, I would lean in favor of inclusion unless we have a clear basis for exclusion. In the case of

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military dependents, we have no clear basis for excluding them and I would vote no on this motion.

- c. Commissioner Frierson raised the question that "if we have no clear basis for excluding them, then how did they get the numbers?" Her understanding is that the Social Security Number of the active military was run through various military systems that counted dependents (i.e., the health system, that it was specifically tied to dependents by the SSN number of the active military). It seems that they are here today and gone tomorrow, if we are not encouraged to include non-residents, then you could make an equally good case with these people who follow their families to be non-resident as well. She will be voting in favor to exclude them.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae, and Chairperson Minami voted no to exclude non-resident military dependents from the population base. Commissioner Frierson voted yes to excluding non-resident military dependents to the population base. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With seven (7) negative votes, one (1) affirmative vote, and one (1) excused, the motion failed.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will include non-resident military dependents in the population base.

5. Aliens: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall exclude aliens from the population base to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Akiona seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner Rae stated that it has been proven difficult to the timeline that is upon them. Where we think the aliens may or may not be in a pluralistic society is problematic. He mentioned that he will be voting no on this issue.
- b. Commissioner Hoo mentioned that she appreciated Mr. Rohlfing's comments today, but in regards to the last comment he made about the bureaucracy of the government. The practical reality is that, based on the time constraints the Commission is faced with, she does not see them being able to get the numbers on time.

Roll Call:

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Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted no to exclude aliens from the population base. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) negative votes and one (1) excused, the motion failed.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will include aliens in the population base.

B. Single-member v. Multi-member Districts

Chairperson Minami mentioned that the Commission vote on the issue of multi-member districts and therefore forgo the single-member district voting, because the results of the multi-member district will determine the single-member districts.

Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission may use multi-member districts to reapportion and redistrict the 2001 state legislative districts. Commissioner Akiona seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Commissioner Frierson stated that she will be voting for single-member districts, even though she can appreciate some of the plusses of multi-member districts. She mentioned some of the problems of multi-member districts which are: it is a high cost for the candidates to run, the ease in which one might submerge an ethnic or political minority, and the fact that Hawaii has very little government that is very close to the people. Commissioner Frierson noted that we don't have municipal government the way that a lot of mainland areas do. Our state representative districts are the smallest districts in our State and there is an accountability that comes from that. For these reasons, she said that she will be voting for single-member districts.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted no to multi-member districts to reapportion the state legislative districts. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) negative votes and one (1) excused, the motion failed.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission may not use multi-member districts.

C. Standards and Criteria

Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall adopt the attached Standards and Criteria for the 2001 reapportionment and redistricting. Commissioner Akiona seconded the motion.

Discussion:

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Chairperson Minami mentioned to the Commission that there were a few changes made to the Standards and Criteria since the last meeting:

1. One change broadens the ability of the public to submit testimony or comments to the Commission (pg. 2, bullet 3).
2. Under the "if practicable" section, no district shall extend beyond the boundaries of any basic island unit was added in as well as an asterisk which includes language from the Deputy Attorney General, indicating that there are constitutional limitations in following that criteria (pg. 3).
3. Based on the decisions by the Commission today, the population base will be adjusted and changed. It will be amended to reflect today's decisions.

Commissioner Rae pointed out that although the criteria states that the districts shall be within a district (i.e., House districts within Senate districts), that it is not going to happen because of the odd number of districts.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae, and Chairperson Minami voted yes to adopt the 2001 Reapportionment Commission Standards and Criteria, as amended by today's decisions on the population base that will be used for the Reapportionment Commission. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) affirmative votes and one (1) excused, the motion carried.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will follow the adopted reapportionment standards and criteria.

D. Formation of Committees

1. Technical Committee: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall form a technical committee as proposed at the 6/21/01 Commission meeting for the 2001 reapportionment and redistricting process.

Discussion:

- a. Chairperson Minami mentioned that the committee will consist of three members; one (1) Democrat, one (1) Republican and the Chairperson. He said that the proposal would be amended so that two alternates will be added to the composition of the technical committee.

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- b. Commissioner Kinney asked who will be appointing the members of the committees. Chairperson Minami answered that each political party will select their member and alternate.

Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall form the technical committee as amended. Commissioner Kinney seconded the motion as amended.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae, and Chairperson Minami voted yes to form the technical committee. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) affirmative votes and one (1) excused, the motion carried.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will form a technical committee.

- 2. Public Information Committee: Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission shall form a Public Information Committee as proposed at the 6/21/01 Commission meeting for the 2001 Reapportionment and redistricting process. Commissioner Kinney seconded the motion.

Discussion:

- a. Chairperson Minami read that the public information committee shall consist of four members; two (2) Democrats and two (2) Republicans.
- b. Commissioner Masumoto asked to make an amendment to the motion. He suggested that they add additional duties for the committee to work with the Advisory Councils from each of the islands. Chairperson Minami asked Commissioner Masumoto to expound on that suggestion. Commissioner Masumoto said that the Commission needs to get as much input as possible from the Advisory Councils. Rather than have the whole Commission work with them, he thinks that contact with the Advisory Councils should be delegated to the committee.
- c. Commissioner Frierson concurred with Commissioner Masumoto that there should be a channel to work with the Commission. She mentioned that the two alternates to the technical committee should also have contact with the Advisory Councils. Commissioner Frierson also felt that the Advisory Councils would want input into the technical committee as well.
- d. Commissioner Rae mentioned that funneling information through the committees may be a good way to make sure that the Advisory Councils are included in what the Commission is doing. He also mentioned that

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theoretically the Advisory Councils are the ones that are closest to the issues on their islands, and to answer the question of what is a neighborhood, especially in the neighbor islands.

- e. Chairperson Minami mentioned that in thinking about the role of the Advisory Councils, he suggested that the Reapportionment staff meet with them and go over the computer programs and how it works. The Advisory Councils were offered to have the staff meet with them, as well as having the Deputy Attorney General present to answer any legal or constitutional issues that may arise. The Advisory Councils were advised to schedule meetings with the Commission staff. Thereafter the Councils can contact the Technical and Public Information Committees.
- f. Commissioner Rae suggested that the Advisory Councils have the meetings on their islands and schedule it as a public meeting that way the public is informed also.
- g. Ms. Betty Chandler of the Kauai Advisory Council commented that she is glad to have a public hearing, but expressed concern that they are only scheduled for one. She suggested that there be two public hearings for the island of Kauai since it is a large island. She also suggested that the Advisory Council meet with the staff separately from the public first, then allow the public to join in the meeting.
- h. Commissioner Rae asked the Commission's legal counsel if the Advisory Councils are covered under the public meeting rules that the Commission must follow. Mr. Brian Aburano, the Commission's legal counsel, said that there is a provision for public meetings of the Advisory Councils in the Commission's rules and procedures.

Chairperson Minami moved that the Reapportionment Commission form the Public Information Committee as proposed and amended. Commissioner Kinney seconded the motion as amended.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Akiona, Frierson, Hoo, Kinney, Lum, Masumoto, Rae and Chairperson Minami voted yes to form the Public Information Committee. Commissioner Clifton was absent and excused from voting. With eight (8) affirmative votes and one (1) excused, the motion carried.

The 2001 Reapportionment Commission will form a Public Information Committee.

VI. Executive Session

The Commission did not go into Executive Session.

VII. Other Business

A. Reapportionment Website

Mr. David Rosenbrock presented to the Commission and the public a mock website for the Reapportionment Commission. The website will be available on July 5, 2001. The URL of the website is www.hawaiiiredistricting.org. The website will consist of current maps of the 1991 legislature, contact information, the Commission's rules and procedures, the Commission's standards and criteria, a downloadable do-it-yourself redistricting program, the Commission's calendar of meetings, frequently asked questions, and other things that involve the Reapportionment Project, including the State Constitution and Hawaii Revised Statutes concerning reapportionment. While the new maps are being made, they will be included in the website and as any changes occur, it will be updated on the website.

B. Revised Reapportionment Calendar

Chairperson Minami pointed out to the Commissioners that there is a new revised schedule for the reapportionment calendar. The public hearings have been changed so that the neighbor islands are not scheduled so close together and the Commissioners have a chance to go home. Oahu public hearings have been dispersed between the neighbor island public hearings.

- The adoption of the revised plans has been moved from October 11, 2001 to October 4, 2001.
- Commissioner Frierson mentioned that the movement of the publishing of the plans up one week is really not giving the Commission time to draw the lines.
- The Commission meetings for July 5, 2001 and July 12, 2001 were cancelled so that the staff would have the time to extract the new population base from the census blocks.
- The descriptions of the districts drawn will need to have a verbal description of that district and its boundaries.

C. Public Hearing Attendance

Mr. Dwayne Yoshina asked that the Commissioners inform the staff of the dates that they are planning on attending the public hearings so that they can coordinate the air, car and rooms of everybody.

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D. Correspondence

Two letters were received from the public.

1. Joint letter from Common Cause and the League of Women Voters – please see ‘Public Comment, Section IV C, above. (See Appendix B)
2. Chief Ranger notes that there are some residents at the summit of Haleakala who are inconvenienced because of their location and the location of their polling place. The Technical Committee will be advised of this letter. (See Appendix C)

The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, July 19, 2001, 2:00 p.m. at the Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329.

VIII. Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, Commissioner Akiona moved to adjourn the Fifth Regular Meeting of the 2001 Reapportionment Commission. Commissioner Akiona seconded the motion.

The Fifth Regular Meeting of the 2001 Reapportionment Commission was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dwayne D. Yoshina
Chief Election Officer
Secretary of the
2001 Reapportionment Commission